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Report on Utilization of Industrial Register, OCD

Below are the Map Division's replies to the questions propounded in the memorandum of 23 May 1950, indicated by sub-headings.

- a. Yes, although the information is unevaluated and many contain duplicate items under different entries.
- b. Yes, in part, particularly for the U.S.S.R. since particular emphasis has been placed on this area. Certain types of basic industrial data must be maintained in other analysts' files for other areas.
- c. Yes, although D/Ma has not made much use of this supplementary information.
- d. No. At the present time there is no assurance that the information is complete, further check must be made against other sources.
- e. D/Ma has insufficient experience to comment adequately. It is believed that the information is probably timely since it is taken from current intelligence reporting but it remains unevaluated.
- f. Approximately once a month
- g. A general listing is of problematical value. It is believed that a highly selective listing, on requests, might be very useful as a check on the expansion of information from other sources.
- h. (1) A periodic progress report would be useful.  
(2) Uniform use of geographic coordinates to locate installations would enhance the Register's usefulness.  
(3) It is believed that the Register will be of greater usefulness as coverage becomes more complete, particularly by the inclusion of data from basic publications.

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